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the liquid flow passageway downstream of the upflow chamber being configured to ensure sufficient contact between ozone and the liquid to purify the liquid before it reaches the dispenser.

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- (AMENDED) The improvement of claim including a desiccant and a valve upstream of the ozone generator arranged so that the valve opens an inlet to the desiccant only when air flow enters the generator during <u>purifier</u> operation.
- 21. (AMENDED) A method of purifying a batch of liquid with ozone from a generator producing an ozone-containing gas that is mixed with a batch of the liquid [in] flowing once through a passageway extending from an untreated liquid container to a purified liquid dispenser, the method comprising:
  - a. after mixing the ozone-containing gas with liquid flow commencing at the beginning of a batch purification cycle, directing the liquid and ozone mixture into an upflow chamber in which the initial flow of liquid rises as bubbles of ozone-containing gas rise at a faster rate to overtake the preceding liquid; and
  - b. blocking entry of untreated liquid into the passageway except when the purifier is purifying liquid flow.
- 39. (AMENDED) A liquid purifier combining an unpurified liquid batch container, a liquid flow passageway leading from the container to a purified liquid dispensing outlet, a generator producing an ozone-containing gas, and a pumping system flowing the liquid once through the passageway and combining the ozone-containing gas with the liquid to purify the liquid en route to [a dispensing] the outlet, the purifier comprising:
  - a. the liquid passage way downstream of a region where the ozone-containing gas joins the liquid being formed into an upflow chamber [in which] configured so that a leading flow of the liquid rises at a rate exceeded by a rate of rise of bubbles of the ozone-containing gas [within] entering the upflow chamber with the liquid so that the ozone-containing gas overtakes the leading liquid flow; and

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